



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re application of:** Bauer et al.

**Application No.** 10/686,548

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**For:** POSITIVE DETECTION LATERAL-  
FLOW APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
SMALL AND LARGE ANALYTES

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**Art Unit:** 1641

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AMENDMENT

This responds to the Office action dated November 17, 2004. A three month period for response was set, making a reply due on or before February 17, 2005. Applicant petitions for a three month extension of time, and has paid the appropriate extension fee, now making a response due by May 17, 2005.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 16.